IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	Group Art Unit: 1643
Jeffrey L. Cleland et al.	Examiner: Christopher Yaen
Serial No.: 09/273,230	Confirmation No. 6833
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 22, 2006, reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for a two month extension of time and the fee therefor accompany this amendment.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.